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SUB: "COLORED" LABOR PARTY CONFERENCE: CALLS FOR LABOR/INKATHA  
LINKS AND MORE FOREIGN PRESSURE ON SOUTH AFRICA

REF: (A) CAPE TOWN 0030

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1. AT 12TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF "COLORED" LABOR PARTY  
HELD THIS WEEK AT OUDTSHOORN IN CAPE PROVINCE PROF. S.M.  
E. BENGU, SECRETARY-GENERAL OF INKATHA, THE ZULU POLITICAL  
CULTURAL ORGANIZATION(REF C) SUGGESTED THAT INKATHA AND  
LABOR PARTY "SHOW SOLIDARITY" IN REJECTING APARTHEID AND  
SAID BASE FOR "COMMON POLITICAL STRATEGY" BETWEEN THE TWO  
ORGANIZATIONS ALREADY EXISTED.

2. IN THE OTHER MAJOR ADDRESS AT THE CONFERENCE, REV.  
ALAN HENDRICKSE, NATIONAL CHAIRMAN OF THE PARTY, WELCOMED  
INCREASED ECONOMIC PRESSURE ON SOUTH AFRICA FROM ABROAD,  
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CALLED THE RECENT ARMS EMBARGO MERE "TOKENISM" AND SAID  
THAT THE LABOR PARTY NOW SUPPORT THE WITHDRAWAL OF FOREIGN  
INVESTMENTS FROM SOUTH AFRICA WHICH HE SAID "WITTING-  
LY OR UNWITTINGLY" SUPPORT IMPLEMENTATION OF SEPARATE  
SEVELOPMENT. LABOR PARTY LEADER SONNY LEON AND  
OTHER SENIOR OFFICERS WERE RE-ELECTED.

3. PRESS REPORTS INDICATE THAT BENGU SAID HE HAD  
"NO MANDATE" FROM INKATHA LEADERSHIP FOR LABOR PARTY  
TO JOIN INKATHA BUT HE HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED TO  
REQUEST LABOR PARTY TO ORGANIZE ITSELF INTO A MASS  
MOVEMENT FOR LIBERATION ALONG SAME LINES AS INKATHA.  
SPEECH APPARENTLY LACKED ANY SPECIFIC SUGGESTIONS ON  
HOW INKATHA AND LABOR MIGHT COOPERATE POLITICALLY.  
TODAY'S PRESS REPORTS QUOTE ZULU LEADER GATSHA  
BUTHELEZI AS APPROVING BENGU SPEECH AS A CALL FOR UNITY  
AMONG BLACK LIBERATION MOVEMENTS.

4. FURTHER REPORT AND ANALYSIS OF DEVELOPMENTS AT  
THE CONFERENCE WILL BE SUBMITTED WHEN WE HAVE HAD  
OPPORTUNITY TO TALK TO LABOR PARTY LEADERS.

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